

THE VERMONT PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

In re Application of AARP Pursuant to
30 V.S.A. § 218(e) for Establishment of
Reduced Rates for Low Income Consumers
of Green Mountain Power Company and
Central Vermont Public Service Corp.

Docket No.7535

PREFILED TESTIMONY OF JOHN HOWAT
ON BEHALF OF AARP

Mr. Howat's testimony (1) identifies the need for an Electric Energy Assistance Program, (2) describes the broad parameters of prospective Energy Assistance Programs to be implemented separately by Central Vermont Public Service Corporation and Green Mountain Power Corporation, (3) describes specific design elements of the prospective EAP programs, including calculation of discounts, management of pre-program arrears, and program funding mechanisms, and (4) describes ratepayer-funded energy assistance programs that are operative in the other states, with emphasis on the programs that operate in the other New England states.

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